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1. Beginning 4 March 1944, some fifty or sixty Kabardinian families from [redacted] village of Kamennomost (Akhalsheni) [redacted] 43-45, E 41-55 were loaded into trucks and deported to Siberia and Central Asia. These were families which had overtly collaborated with the Germans; however, many other families who had also collaborated were not deported because there were not enough trucks. This was the closest thing to a large deportation that occurred [redacted]

2. [redacted] about one hundred North Caucasians, mainly Karachay plus a few Kabardinians, were concentrated in two resettlement areas four or five kilometers south of Lugovaya. [redacted] most of the deported North Caucasians in Kazakhstan work almost exclusively in kolkhozy or coal mines. They all complain of the very unhealthy climate. Several Kabardinians had tried to escape from Kazakhstan and return to the North Caucasus. [redacted]

3. [redacted] despite the very severe treatment meted out to [redacted] people from 1944 on, their will to resist russification and sovietization of Kabarda remains as intact in 1954 as it was in 1950 [redacted] It will burst forth again in the event of another war. Some Kabardinians who were prisoners [redacted] during the war have been returned to their native area by the Soviets. It is true that most of the released men are old and sick, but they have told the people about the freedom and economic well-being of the nations they saw in Europe.

4. In February 1951 [redacted] partisan groups were still holding out in the Grozny area. These partisans were said to be Chechen-Ingush and Balkars who had escaped deportation.

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